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Skill Development in Health Sector
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of the skilled manpower in the health sector;

(b) whether there is shortage of skilled/ allied health professionals, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken to fill up the gap;

(c) the manner in which the skill training imparted to the allied health professionals is being made qualitative; and

(d) whether there is an effort to increase the existing capacities in terms of human resources and infrastructure in the health sector, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

(a) to (d) As per sector wise studies conducted by National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) the health sector had an employment base of 35.90 lakh in 2013 projected to expand to 74 lakh in 2022. The study indicate shortage of skilled allied health professionals in the categories of technicians, health worker male, rural health care and management. The Government has taken several steps to address skilled manpower needs of health care sector. A health care Sector Skill Councils has been created to assess skill gaps in this sector and develop standards for various job roles for training courses. Ministry has also signed an MOU with Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for training of allied health professionals. Moreover, under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) training is being imparted for allied health professionals. In addition NSDC is also conducting training for allied health professionals in partnership with various Central Ministries, State Skill Development Missions and State Health Departments.

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